GTSPP draft agenda (24 Aug, 2004)

Place: Southampton Oceanography Centre

Time: 0900 27 Sep, 2004

1. Introduction (Canada)

The chair will review the status of GTSPP and its objectives.

2. Data Processing / Flow (US, Canada, Australia, France)

We will be provided with a summary of the data flow into the CMD at NODC. Problems or changes will be discussed.

3. Review of action items from Hobart 2002 (All)

We will review the action items noting those that are completed, in progress or not done. For the latter two categories we will review the actions to verify their suitability.

4. Code Tables (Canada)

The Project uses a variety of code tables that have evolved through the years. Recently, MEDS has put up these lists on its web site. In doing so, certain problems and inconsistencies have been found. These need to be corrected. But it will be useful to have a more general discussion of the availability, common usage, maintenance (other functions?) of these tables.

5. Status report on the use of the CRC tag. (US, Canada)

In April, 2004, the SEAS program and MEDS installed software that allows for a unique tag based on a calculation of a CRC value to be used as a way to identify duplicates. A status report will be prepared describing how well this is working so far. We will then get an update on contributing work in Australia and discuss if extensions to other participants is warranted.

6. Links to other programs (France, all others)

Data handled and functions performed by participants of GTSPP contribute to or have some overlaps with other programs. We will have a brief review of these and then discuss what changes may be required in how GTSPP functions. At this time we should also consider what additional partners should be pursued.

(ones that I can think of are Argo, CLIVAR, GODAE QC project, SOT, national programmes)

7. GTSPP Annual Report (US, Canada)

MEDS prepared an annual report for GTSPP for the year 2002. This was presented to the JCOMM SOT meeting in 2003. The 2003 version will be presented at this meeting and participants can comment directly on its contents and usefulness.

8. Other business

- a. netCDF for GTSPP (Australia)
- b. Additional profile types (USA)
- c. Poster for IODE (Canada)